



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION
819 TAYLOR STREET, ROOM 8A36 300 E. 8TH STREET, ROOM 826
FORT WORTH, TEXAS 76102-9003 AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701

March 31, 2015

Refer to: HPP-TX

Joint Approval of February 2015 Quarterly Revisions to the FY 2015-2018 Statewide
Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

Lt.Gen Joe Weber (Ret)
Executive Director
Texas Department of Transportation
125 E. 11th Street
Austin, Texas 78701

Attention: Marc Williams

Dear General Weber:

We have reviewed the February 2015 Quarterly revisions to the FY 2015-2018 STIP
transmitted with your March 9th letter and your March 12, 2015 approval. Based upon our
review, these revisions to the STIP are hereby approved subject to the enclosed comments.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact either Ms. Genevieve Bales of the
FHWA Texas Division at (512) 536-5941 or Ms. Lynn Hayes of the FTA Region VI office at
(817) 978-0565 for additional information.

Sincerely yours,

Donald R. Koski, Director
Planning and Program Development
Federal Transit Administration
Region VI

Michael T. Leary, Director
Planning and Program Development
Federal Highway Administration
Texas Division

Enclosure

cc: Don Koski, FTA, Region VI
Lynn Hayes, FTA, Region VI
John Stott, TxDOT Design
Alison McMillan, TxDOT Design
Lillie Salas, TxDOT Design
Jack Foster, TxDOT TPP
Lori Morel, TxDOT TPP
Kelly Kirkland, TxDOT PTN
Karen Dunlap, TXDOT PTN
FHWA: HA-TX, HB-TX, HAM-TX, HPP-TX

**2015-2018 STIP
February 2015
Quarterly Revisions**

#	MPO /District	CSJ Number	STIP comment
1	General Comment		It is noted that additional areas are utilizing toll development credits. However, these areas vary in regard to how the use of toll development credits is reflected in the STIP (e.g., indicating the use toll development credits in the "Remarks" field and reflecting toll development credits in the "Authorized Funding by Category/Share" and Year of Expenditure (YOE) cost). TxDOT-TPP should work with the MPOs and TxDOT Districts to ensure that the use of toll development credits is consistently reflected in the STIP, associated MPO, and Statewide funding summaries.
2	AAMPO/SAT	0915-12-0915	Not Approved. Project is not fiscally constrained, and appears to be recreational. Please update project funding and provide additional information on the project scope to resolve eligibility questions.
3	AAMPO/SAT	0915-12-904	Not Approved. Drainage and lighting MAY be eligible for reimbursement under the TAP rules. Please provide additional information on the project scope to resolve eligibility questions.
4	AAMPO/SAT	0915-12-907	Not Approved. Other pedestrian infrastructure is not clear. Please provide additional information on the project scope to resolve eligibility questions.
5	AAMPO/SAT	0915-12-910	Approved.
6	AAMPO/SAT	0915-17-902	Approved.
7	AAMPO/SAT	0915-46-902	Not Approved. Please provide additional information on the project scope to resolve eligibility questions.
8	AMPO/AMA	2635-02-028	Based on TxDOTs March 13, 2015 email request, FHWA provided an early action approval for this project, effective March 13, 2015.

**2015-2018 STIP
February 2015
Quarterly Revisions**

#	MPO /District	CSJ Number	STIP comment
9	CAMPO/AUS	0151-09-036	Not approved. It is noted that the supporting documentation for this revision indicates that toll development credits have been allocated to this proposed project. However, the revised STIP information does not reflect the application of toll development credits. Approval of this revision is withheld pending clarification of the application of toll development credits and reflection of the use of toll development credits in the STIP entry as appropriate (e.g., "Remarks" field, "Authorized Funding by Category/Share" summary and Year of Expenditure (YOE) cost).
10	CAMPO/AUS	0151-09-127	Not approved. The project description for the proposed revision indicates the inclusion of operational improvements on SH 71. However, SH 71 does not appear to be within the revised project limits (i.e., Boggy Creek to the Colorado River). Additionally, it is noted that the supporting documentation for this revision indicates that toll development credits have been allocated to this proposed project. However, the revised STIP information does not reflect the application of toll development credits. Approval of this revision is withheld pending clarification of the proposed project's scope of work and application of toll development credits and reflection of the use of toll development credits in the STIP entry as appropriate (e.g., "Remarks" field, "Authorized Funding by Category/Share" summary and Year of Expenditure (YOE) cost).
11	CAMPO/AUS	0265-01-080	Not approved. It is noted that the supporting documentation for this revision indicates that toll development credits have been allocated to this proposed project. However, the revised STIP information does not reflect the application of toll development credits. Approval of this revision is withheld pending clarification of the application of toll development credits and reflection of the use of toll development credits in the STIP entry as appropriate (e.g., "Remarks" field, "Authorized Funding by Category/Share" summary and Year of Expenditure (YOE) cost).
12	CAMPO/AUS	0914-04-296	Approved.
13	CAMPO/AUS	0914-33-068	Approved.

**2015-2018 STIP
February 2015
Quarterly Revisions**

#	MPO /District	CSJ Number	STIP comment
14	CAMPO/AUS	1200-06-004	Not approved. The proposed revision indicates that CSJ 1200-07-001 is included in this project, however information concerning the project description and limits of CSJ 1200-07-001 is not provided. Approval of this revision is withheld pending clarification of the project description and limits for CSJ 1200-07-001.
15	CAMPO/AUS	1566-01-009	Not approved. The proposed revision indicates that CSJ 1566-02-060 is included in this project, however information concerning the project description and limits of CSJ 1566-02-060 is not provided. Additionally, the supporting documentation indicates the funding for this project as "3-TRZ," however the revised STIP entry indicates "3-PTF" (State funding). Approval of this revision is withheld pending clarification of the project description and limits for CSJ 1566-02-060 and the proposed project's funding source.
16	CAMPO/AUS	1776-02-018	Approved.
17	CAMPO/AUS	3542-01-005	Not approved. The proposed revision indicates that CSJs 3545-02-007 and 3545-02-008 are included in this project, however information concerning the project description and limits of CSJs 3545-02-007 and 3545-02-008 is not provided. Approval of this revision is withheld pending clarification of the project description and limits for CSJs 3545-02-007 and 3545-02-008.
18	HCMPO/PHR	0921-02-194	Approved. Please update the project description to include the number of original lanes. In the e-STIP please make sure this project is linked to the previously approved STIP project.
19	HCMPO/PHR	0921-02-322	Not Approved. Please define the source of CAT 10 funding.
20	JOHRTS/BMT	0028-11-193	Not approved, pending EPA's revocation of the 1997 8-hour ozone standard (expected to occur on April 6, 2015).
21	JOHRTS/BMT	0200-11-103	Approved. However, this project has already been authorized for construction on 07/10/2014.
22	JOHRTS/BMT	0243-03-061	Approved. However, this project has already been authorized for construction on 06/10/2014.
23	JOHRTS/BMT	0653-01-013	Approved. However, this project has already been authorized for construction on 05/21/2014.

**2015-2018 STIP
February 2015
Quarterly Revisions**

#	MPO /District	CSJ Number	STIP comment
24	JOHRTS/BMT	0739-02-160	Not approved, pending EPA's revocation of the 1997 8-hour ozone standard (expected to occur on April 6, 2015).
25	JOHRTS/BMT	0739-02-161	Not approved, pending EPA's revocation of the 1997 8-hour ozone standard (expected to occur on April 6, 2015).
26	JOHRTS/BMT	0739-02-162	Not approved, pending EPA's revocation of the 1997 8-hour ozone standard (expected to occur on April 6, 2015).
27	JOHRTS/BMT	0786-01-080	Approved. However, this project has already been authorized for construction on 09/16/2014.
28	JOHRTS/BMT	0786-01-082	Not approved, pending EPA's revocation of the 1997 8-hour ozone standard (expected to occur on April 6, 2015).
29	JOHRTS/BMT	0920-00-112	Approved. However, this project has already been authorized for construction on 09/16/14.
30	JOHRTS/BMT	0920-00-114	Approved. However, this project has already been authorized for funding on 10/16/2014.
31	JOHRTS/BMT	0920-03-078	Approved. However, this project has already been authorized for construction on 09/16/2014.
32	JOHRTS/BMT	0920-03-079	Approved. However, this project has already been authorized for construction on 09/16/2014.
33	JOHRTS/BMT	0920-30-067	Approved. However, this project has already been authorized for construction on 12/02/2014.
34	JOHRTS/BMT	0920-30-080	Approved. However, this project has already been authorized for construction on 02/06/2015.
35	JOHRTS/BMT	0920-30-081	Approved. However, this project has already been authorized for construction on 09/16/2014.
36	JOHRTS/BMT	0920-38-250	Approved. However, this project has already been authorized for construction on 09/16/2014.
37	JOHRTS/BMT	0920-38-251	Not approved, need a determination as to whether the Texas Transportation Commission has approved the use of TDCs for local match.
38	NCTCOG/DAL	0094-07-020	Not approved. Frontage roads (FR) between Mobility 2035 -2013 (4/8 lanes and 4 lanes) and the 2015-2018 STIP-TIP (4/6 lanes) are not consistent. Please demonstrate consistency between the MTP and the TIP.

**2015-2018 STIP
February 2015
Quarterly Revisions**

#	MPO /District	CSJ Number	STIP comment
39	NCTCOG/DAL	0353-02-063	Not approved. Existing lanes between Mobility 2035 - 2013 (4 lanes to 4 lanes) and the 2015-2018 STIP-TIP (2 lanes to 4 lanes) are not consistent. Please demonstrate consistency between the MTP and the TIP.
40	NCTCOG/DAL	0918-46-230	Not approved. Please provide a description of the scope revision being addressed as an Administrative Amendment
41	NCTCOG/DAL	0918-47-138	Not Approved. Pending clarification of project scope for the determination of eligibility. Please clarify the following items: 1) the addition of 'and construction' in the project description, if appropriate; 2) the revision of 'various' to 'actual corridor' location; and 3) a more robust description of 'improvements'.
42	NCTCOG/FTW	0902-00-152	Not Approved. TDCs are being applied towards YOE costs. Please provide clarification the application of TDCs including fiscal constraint.
43	NCTCOG/FTW	0902-48-924	Not Approved. TDCs are being applied towards YOE costs. Please provide clarification the application of TDCs including fiscal constraint.
44	RURAL/TYL	0198-02-027	Based on TxDOTs March 13, 2015 email request, FHWA provided an early action approval for this project, effective March 13, 2015.
45	RURAL/WFS	0156-05-049	Based on TxDOTs March 13, 2015 email request, FHWA provided an early action approval for this project, effective March 13, 2015.
46	TAMPO/TYL	0199-03-028	Approved. Please define category 10 Federal funding source and include this information in remarks or history.